submitted in one package to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

(e) Waiver. A natural gas company may request a waiver of the requirement to submit filings by electronic media, by filing an original and 5 copies of a request for waiver. The request must demonstrate that the natural gas company does not have, and is unable to acquire, the technical capability to file the information on electronic media.

## §154.5 Rejection of filings.

A filing that fails to comply with this part may be rejected by the Director of the Office of Pipeline Regulation pursuant to the authority delegated to the Director in §375.307(b)(2) of this chapter.

## §154.6 Acceptance for filing not approval.

The acceptance for filing of any tariff, contract or part thereof does not constitute approval by the Commission. Any filing which does not comply with any applicable statute, rule, or order, may be rejected.

## §154.7 General requirements for the submission of a tariff filing or executed service agreement.

The following must be included with the filing of any tariff, executed service agreement, or part thereof, or change thereto.

- (a) A letter of transmittal containing:
  - (1) A list of the material enclosed,
- (2) The name of a responsible company official to whom questions regarding the filing may be addressed, with a telephone number at which the official may be reached,
- (3) The date on which such filing is proposed to become effective,
- (4) Reference to the authority under which the filing is made, including the specific section of a statute, subpart of these regulations, order of the Commission, provision of the company's tariff, or any other appropriate authority. If an order is referenced, the letter must include the citation to the FERC Reports, the date of issuance, and the

lead docket number of the proceeding in which the order was issued.

- (5) A list of the tariff sheets enclosed. (6) A statement of the nature, the reasons, and the basis for the filing. The statement must include a summary of the changes or additions made to the tariff or executed service agreement, as appropriate. The statement must include a quantified summary comparing the cost of service, rate base and throughput underlying change in rate made to the tariff or executed service agreement compared to the same information underlying the last rate found by the Commission to be just and reasonable. A detailed explanation of the need for each change or addition to the tariff or executed service agreement must be included. The natural gas company also must note all relevant precedents relied upon to prepare its filing.
- (7) Any requests for waiver. A request for waiver must include a reference to the specific section of the statute, regulations, or the company's tariff from which waiver is sought, and a justification for the waiver.
- (8) Where the natural gas company proposes a new rate, identification of the last rate, found by the Commission to be just and reasonable, that underlies the proposed rate.
- (9) A motion, in case of minimal suspension, to place the proposed rates into effect at the end of the suspension period; or, a specific statement that the pipeline reserves its right to file a later motion to place the proposed rates into effect at the end of the suspension period.
- (b) A certification of service pursuant to §154.2(d) to all customers on the service list and interested state commissions.

[Order 582, 60 FR 52996, Oct. 11, 1995, as amended by Order 582-A, 61 FR 9628, Mar. 11, 1996]

## §154.8 Informal submission for staff suggestions.

Any natural gas company may informally submit a proposed tariff or any part thereof or material relating thereto for the suggestions of the Commission staff prior to filing. Opinions of the Commission staff are not binding upon the Commission.